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1. The Construction Branch of the Military Domains Division belongs for administrative purposes to the MAI (Ministry of Internal Affairs), although it supervises all military construction both for MAI forces and for those of the MFA (Ministry of Armed Forces). The head office of the organization is located at Calea Victoriei No. 45, Bucharest, and employs 60 to 70 engineers. This organization draws up plans for all military construction work exceeding 100,000 lei for special or regular Army units. Single buildings whose cost does not exceed 100,000 lei are planned and executed by the units requiring them without any assistance from the Construction Branch.
2. Engineers wear MAI Army uniforms which have black shoulder straps and black diamond-shaped collar badges with a blue and red border. The shoulder straps bear a brass badge showing a cog wheel, a triangle and a pair of compasses.
3. Officer engineers receive special documents from the MAI authorities. The inside cover of these show the national insignia with MAI inscribed above it and RPR below. Page one of the document contains a stamped photograph and signature of the bearer. Page two contains particulars concerning the bearer and page three, particulars of his Army career. Page four lists items of special value, issued to bearer by the Army, and page five contains miscellaneous remarks. The last page is reserved for a political evaluation of the bearer and is sealed in such a manner that it cannot be opened without leaving traces. It can be opened only by the political officer of his unit.
4. Officers of the Construction Branch receive their pay together with various premiums so that they never know in advance exactly what sum they can expect. A junior engineer, for instance, receives from 16,000 to 23,500 lei a month.

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5. Nominally, service with the Construction Branch is voluntary. In fact, however, no candidate selected by the MAI and offered work with the Construction Branch could refuse since the consequences would be quite unforeseeable. To turn down the "honor" of serving with the Rumanian Army is paramount to suicide.
6. The military barracks near the village of Fratelia in the Timisoara district are to be finished by October 1951. The barracks are single-story brick structures, measuring 10 meters by 30 meters, designed to house about 100 men. There is room for about 300 horses in the stables. An allocation of 4,000 to 5,000 million lei has been made for the year 1952 for the building of barracks in this area alone.
7. The military barracks near the village Mehala in the Timisoara district is a slightly smaller camp than that near Fratelia, with about 20% fewer barracks and stables. Otherwise the lay-out is similar.
8. The barracks for tank units are ten to fifteen brick buildings standing about fifteen meters apart. They are two-storyed and measure about 30x10 meters. The tanks are kept in single-storyed buildings, whose floors are slightly below ground level. A straight road leads right out of the camp from each building. There are about sixteen such sheds, each with three doors, and designed to hold six tanks.
9. The military barracks and stores near the village of Voiteg, in the Timisoara district, are stores made up of large wooden buildings with a roof sloping away from a central tree. They are about 60 meters long, with six or seven large doors. Their floors are slightly below ground level. Camouflage consists of creepers which cover all walls.
10. Surveying and levelling work is being carried out in the Orastia-Stemora-Moravita region for an electrified barbed wire fence, which is to run parallel to the frontier and very close to it. In places the fence comes as close as 20 meters to the border itself. An artificial waterfall at Gataia is to supply power for the electrification of this fence.
11. Strong fortifications including munition stores, anti-tank ditches, bunkers, and tank dug-outs are built at a distance of about seven km. from the frontier in the whole Timisoara region.
12. The following [redacted] military units stationed in the Timisoara district are [redacted]

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[redacted] located at Becicherecu-Mic
 [redacted] located at Fratelia and Mehala

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In the Mehala area there are at least two Soviet divisions. They are billeted in huts or peasants' homes while they await the completion of their barracks.

13. Labor is supplied by the Labor Battalions made up of young men of middle-class background, considered undesirable in the regular Army. These men are required to perform their normal period of conscription in labor units. The men wear either grey uniforms or clothing written off by the regular Army. The officers also wear grey uniforms, with badges of rank similar to those of the regular Army.

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15. [redacted] the following individuals:

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- a. Ciocea: head of MFA-MAI building organization. Colonel of engineers.
- b. Georgescu: Adjutant of Fratelia Sub-Center. [redacted]
Lieutenant of engineers.
- c. Kis: Commander of Fratelia Sub-Center. [redacted] Lieu-
tenant Colonel of engineers.
- d. Vasile Popa: Chief Executive Officer at Fratelia. [redacted]
Captain.
- e. Suder: Head of the Security Section of the Military Buildings De-
partment of the General Staff. [redacted] Major-General.
- f. Varzaru: Political adviser at Fratelia. [redacted]

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1. Attached herewith for your information are four sketches

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2. The legends to the four sketches follow.

Sketch A

Timisoara

1. Camp entrance	7. Stables
2. Guard buildings	8. Hospital
3. Wash house	9. Road
4. Barracks.	10. Arrow indicates direction of Fratelia village.
5. Dining Hall	11. Garages
6. Offices	

Sketch B

Timisoara

1. Railroad	4. Barracks
2. River	5. Tank sheds
3. Woods	6. Straight exit roads for tanks.

Sketch C

No legend necessary

Sketch D

Voiteg

1. Voiteg (village)	6. Offices
2. Voiteg Station	7. Barracks
3. Road	8. Stables
4. Camp entrance.	9. Large wooden stores
5. Guard buildings	

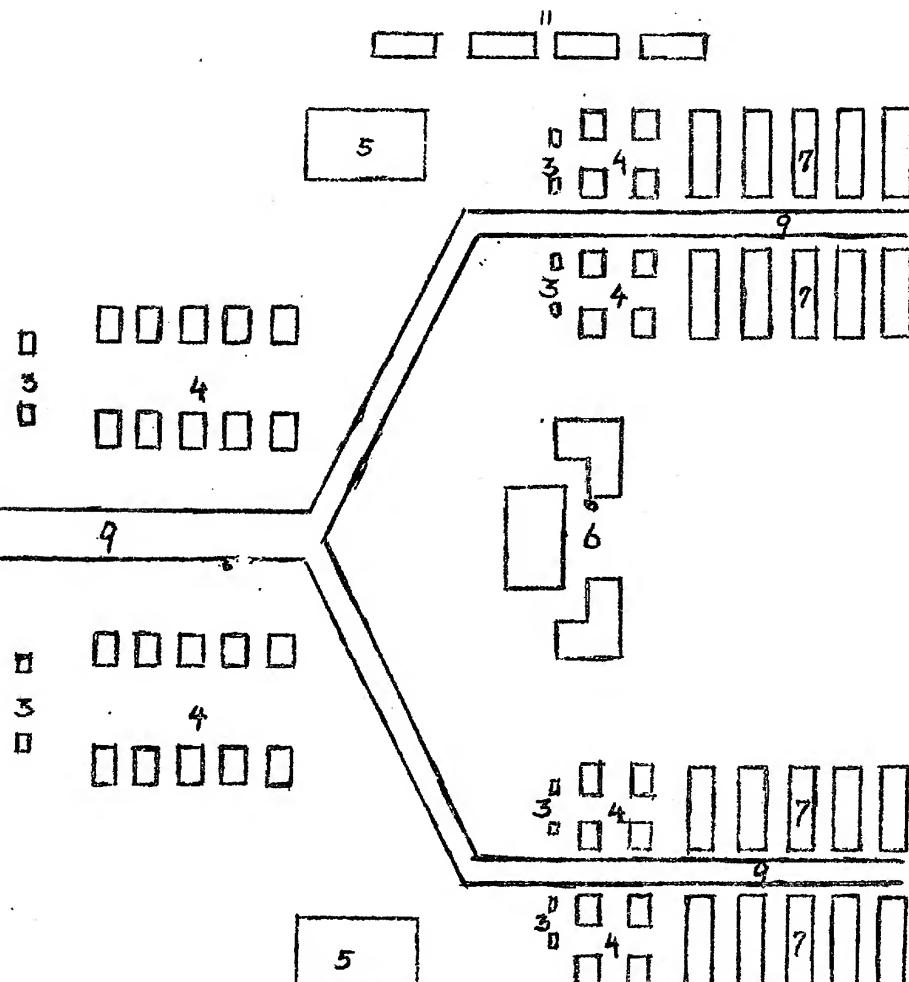
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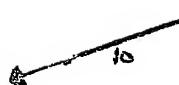
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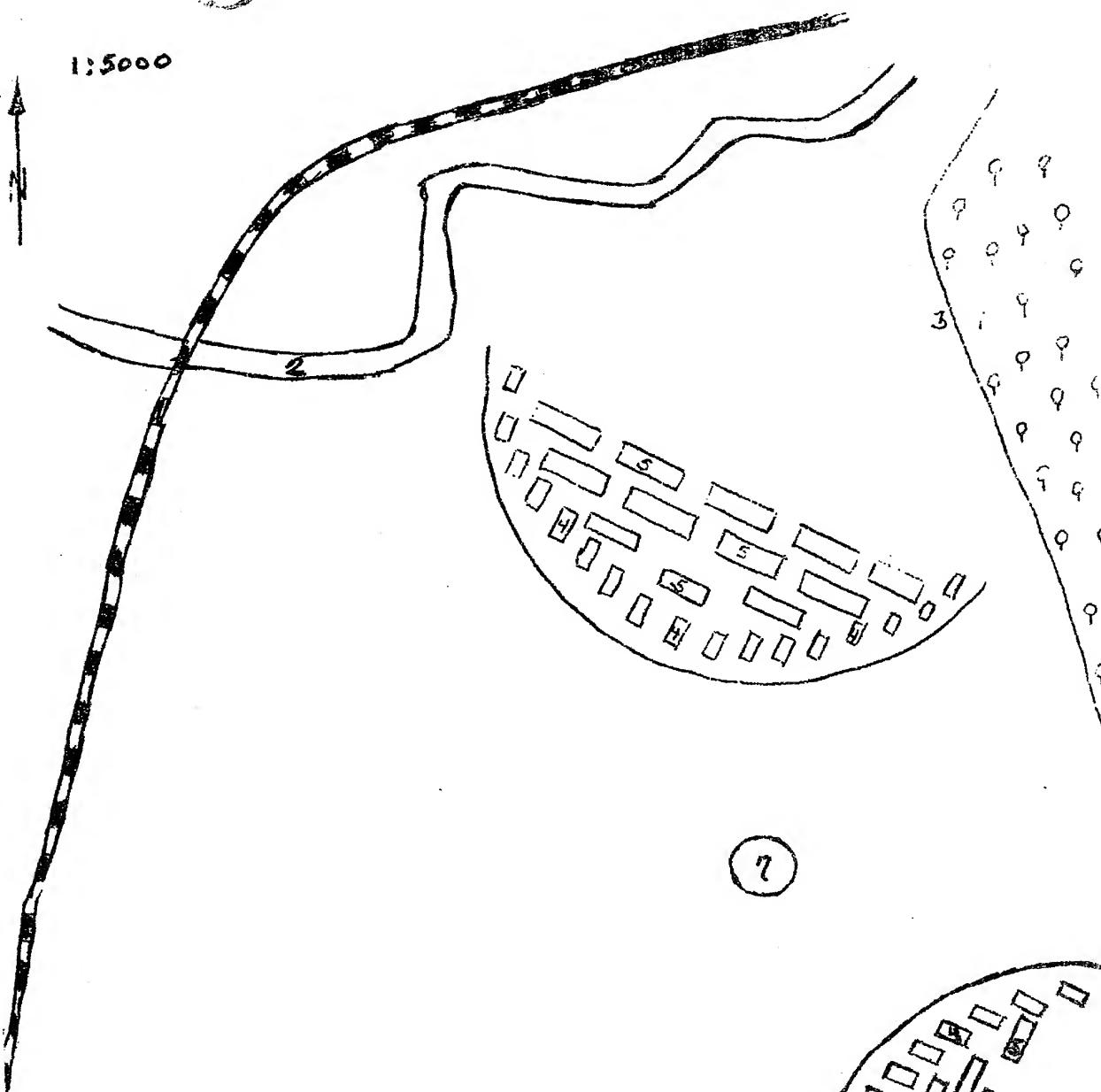


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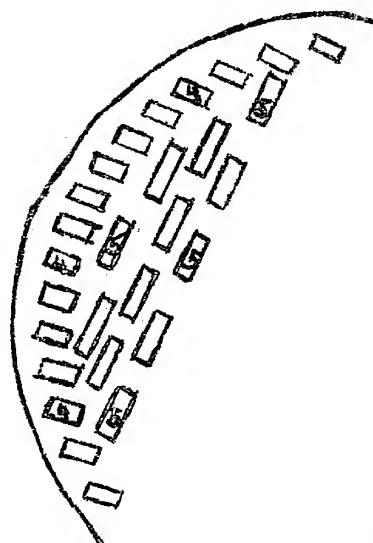
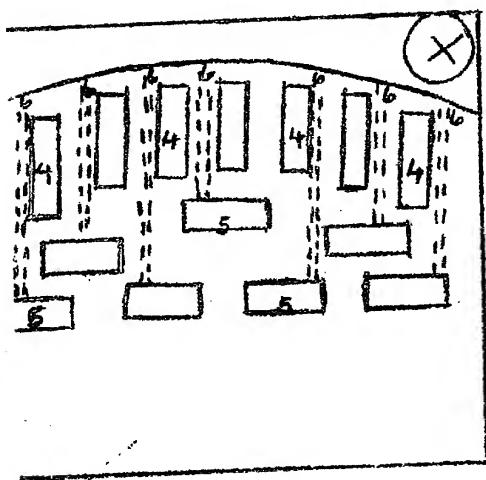
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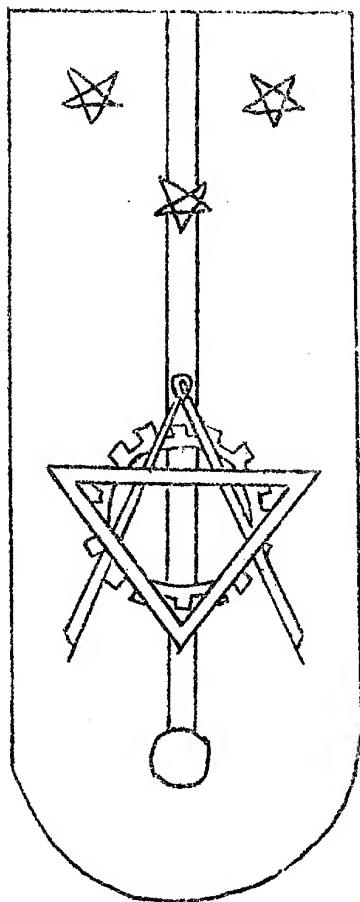
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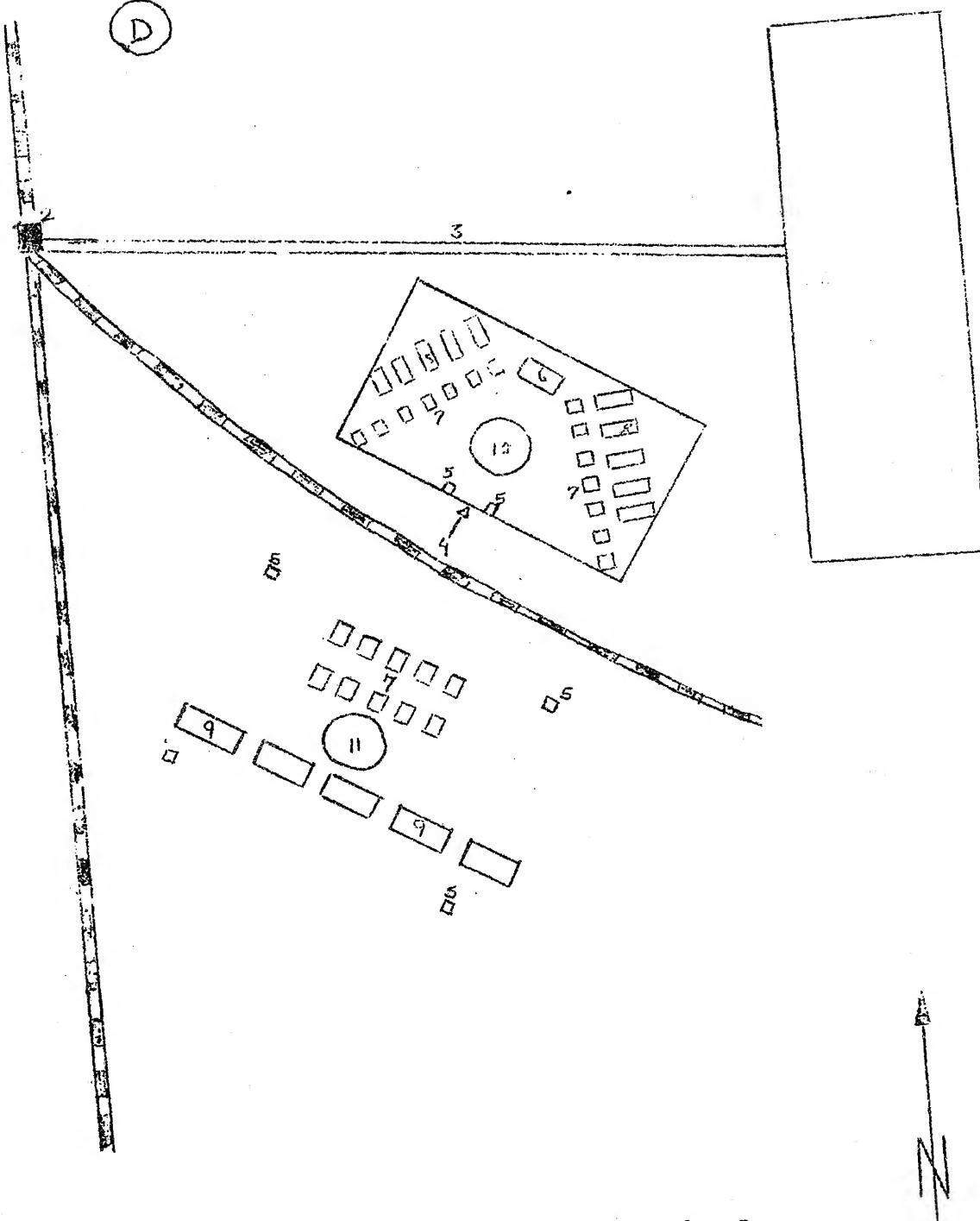
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